

Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 STATE 095865
ORIGIN NODS-00

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 /001 R

DRAFTED BY NEA:MDRAPER:GCB
APPROVED BY NEA:HNSAUNDERS
NEA/IRN:CNAAS
IO:JHELMAN
S/S-O:LFLEISCHER

-----002457 140206Z /70

O 140122Z APR 78 ZFF6
FM SECSTATE WASHDC
TO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN IMMEDIATE
AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV IMMEDIATE
USMISSION USUN NEW YORK IMMEDIATE
INFO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT IMMEDIATE
AMCONSUL JERUSALEM IMMEDIATE
WHITE HOUSE 0153

S E C R E T STATE 095865

EXDIS DISTRIBUTE AS NODIS

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: PBOR, UNSC, MOPS, LE, IS, IR

SUBJECT: ADDED IRANIAN FORCE FOR UNIFIL

REFS: TEHRAN 3513; TEHRAN 3537; STATE 94671

1. FOR AMBASSADOR SULLIVAN: WE MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR
PROMPT AND SUCCESSFUL DEMARCHE. PLEASE GET THE WORD TO
KHALATBARY AND THE SHAH THAT WE ARE EXTREMELY GRATEFUL FOR
THIS PROMPT AND POSITIVE RESPONSE ON THEIR PART. WE ARE
HOPEFUL THAT THIS GENEROUS IRANIAN GESTURE WILL BREAK THE
LOG-JAM.

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 STATE 095865

2. WHAT WE WILL NEED NOW -- AND WE PRESUME YOU WILL BE
RECEIVING THIS IN YOUR APRIL 15 MEETINGS WITH KHALATBARY AND
CHIEF OF STAFF AZHARI -- IS AN ASSESSMENT OF HOW QUICKLY
AN IRANIAN UNIT COULD BE BROUGHT TO SOUTH LEBANON. CLEARLY,
AN IRANIAN UNIT IN PLACE AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT
IN APRIL WOULD PROVIDE VISIBLE AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE THAT

UNIFIL WILL BE AT CLOSE TO FULL STRENGTH IN TIME FOR AN ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL BY THE END OF THE MONTH.

3. FOR USUN:AMBASSADOR LEONARD: YOU SHOULD CONSULT WITH UR'QHART ON THESE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS FROM TEHRAN, EXPLAINING THAT WE PRESSED IRAN TO MAKE A COMMITMENT, JUST AS WE HAD WITH NIGERIA, IN ORDER TO ASSIST THE UN. AS REGARDS THE IRANIAN CONDITION THAT THERE BE AN ISRAELI PUBLIC STATEMENT ASSURING WITHDRAWAL BEFORE THE END OF APRIL, YOU SHOULD POINT OUT THAT WE ALSO SUPPORT THAT TARGET CONCEPT AND HAVE BEEN MAKING THIS CLEAR TO THE ISRAELIS BOTH IN WASHINGTON AND IN ISRAEL. OUR OWN VIEW IS THAT THE UN SHOULD INFORM ISRAEL THAT IRAN IS PREPARED TO MAKE A MAJOR NEW CONTRIBUTION AND THAT THE UN AND U.S. ARE NOW ATTEMPTING TO DETERMINE HOW QUICKLY AN IRANIAN UNIT COULD BE PUT ON THE GROUND IN SOUTH LEBANON. IT OBVIOUSLY WOULD BE EASIER FOR THE ISRAELIS TO MAKE A COMPREHENSIVE WITHDRAWAL STATEMENT IF THEY WERE ASSURED IN ADVANCE THAT UNIFIL-- THROUGH THE INTRODUCTION OF THE IRANIAN CONTINGENT -- WOULD BE UP TO CONSIDERABLE STRENGTH ON AN APRIL DATE. AS SOON AS THE UN OR U.S. HAVE IRANIAN ASSURANCES THAT AN APRIL DEPLOYMENT IS POSSIBLE, THE UN MIGHT RETURN TO THE ISRAELIS AND EXPLAIN THAT AN ADVANCE ISRAELI COMMITMENT TO WITHDRAWAL IN APRIL WILL BE NECESSARY BEFORE THE IRANIANS CAN COMMIT THEIR TROOPS; THE U.S. WOULD THEN BACK UP THE UN REPRESENTATIONS.

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 03 STATE 095865

4. JERUSALEM 1080 JUST RECEIVED IS ENCOURAGING, IN THAT SIILASVUO IS PREPARED TO ASK FOR APRIL 30 WITHDRAWAL IF SENEGALESE CAN BE DEPLOYED EARLY. AN IRANIAN COMMITMENT TO APRIL ARRIVAL WOULD GIVE SIILASVUO ADDED AMMO. ASK URUQHART WHAT THE U.S. MIGHT BEST DO NOW VIS-A-VIS SENEGALESE.

5. FOR AMBASSADOR LEWIS: PENDING USUN'S CONSULTATIONS WITH URUQHART, WE INTEND TO MENTION TO THE ISRAELIS HERE THAT THE IRANIANS ARE PREPARED IN PRINCIPLE TO MAKE A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION TO UNIFIL AND THAT WE HOPE THEY COULD DO SO BEFORE THE MONTH ENDS. WE WILL BE CONSULTING FURTHER WITH THE ISRAELIS AND THE UN AS MORE INFORMATION IS DEVELOPED IN TEHRAN. WE INTEND TO ADD, HOWEVER, THAT IRAN WILL BE CHAIRMAN OF THE SPECIAL UNGA SESSION ON UNIFIL FINANCING NEXT WEEK. THIS MAKES IT ALL THE MORE IMPORTANT THAT ISRAEL TAKE NOTE THAT IRAN HAS HOPED TO SEE AN ISRAELI STATEMENT ON FINAL WITHDRAWAL. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO MAKE THE SAME POINTS; TO CONDITION GOI TO IRANIAN "CONDITION."

6. AGAIN FOR AMBASSADOR SULLIVAN: TO SAVE TIME YOU ARE

AUTHORIZED TO SEND "EXDIS DISTRIBUTE AS NODIS" MESSAGES
LATERALLY TO OTHER POSTS. THE MESSAGES ARE, HOWEVER,
HANDLED AS NODIS.

7. WITH RESPECT TO PARA 6 OF TEHRAN 3513, BASED ON PAST
EXPERIENCE WE DO NOT EXPECT THAT USSR WILL CONTRIBUTE

-

FINANCIALLY TO UNIFIL, BUT WE ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO
UNIFIL BEING FINANCED BY REGULAR BUDGET ASSESSMENTS UNDER
ARTICLE 17 OF UN CHARTER RELATING TO THE REGULAR BUDGET.
CHRISTOPHER

SECRET

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: TROOP DEPLOYMENT, MILITARY OCCUPIED AREAS, INTERNATIONAL PEACEKEEPING FORCES, CAT-B
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 14 apr 1978
Decaption Date: 20 Mar 2014
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978STATE095865
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: MDRAPER:GCB
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: n/a
Expiration:
Film Number: P840166-1951, N780004-0411
Format: TEL
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions:
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780457/aaaabwel.tel
Line Count: 127
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 4a4aa1b0-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ORIGIN NODS
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: NODIS
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: NODIS
Reference: 78 TEHRAN 3513, 78 TEHRAN 3537, 78 STATE 94671
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 10 jun 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2968567
Secure: OPEN
Status: <DBA CHANGED> MCM 20040617
Subject: ADDED IRANIAN FORCE FOR UNIFIL
TAGS: PBOR, MOPS, LE, IS, IR, UNSC
To: TEHRAN TEL AVIV MULTIPLE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/4a4aa1b0-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014